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A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Petition for extension of time. The undersigned attorney of record hereby petitions for an extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), as may be required, to file this response.

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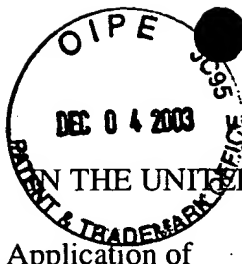
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 3, 2003, the following
remarks/arguments and amendment are respectfully submitted and reconsideration is requested.

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this
paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.